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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

We have a cell phone for my elderly father to use in case of an emergency. With his medical costs he has trouble making his current payments and would probably let the cell phone lapse if the increase takes affect. Since he lives alone this is a very important issue and for others who have purchased the telephones for emergency responses. He now pays \$7.99 a month, the \$1 increase would be substantial for him. We have also purchased a telephone for our daughter who is a single parent. She too uses the telephone for emergency situations with her children and could not afford the increase this would entail. I am sure a \$1 increase does not seem like much for those who use the telephones quite frequently but for those who purchased the telephones for a specific purpose such as these, the increase is huge.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members